Claims

1. Polymerizable, luminescent compounds of formula I

5 $-A^2-Z^1-A^3-R^2$ wherein 10 R^1, R^2 are independently of each other H, halogen, NO2, CN, NCS, straight chain, branched or cyclic alkyl with 1 to 25 C-atoms wherein one or more CH₂ groups may also be replaced by -CO-, -O-, -S-, -NRo-, -CH=CH-, -C=Cin such a manner that O- and/or S-atoms are not linked 15 directly to one another, and wherein one or more H-atoms may also be replaced by F or Cl, or denotes $P-(Sp-X)_n-$ Sp is a spacer group with 1 to 20 C-atoms, 20 P is a polymerizable group, X is -O-, -S-, -CO-, -COO-, -OCO-, -CO-NR°-, -NR°-CO-, -NRº- or a single bond, 25 ~ is 0 or 1, n R° is H or alkyl with 1 to 5 C-atoms, 30 A^1 is 1,4-phenylene, wherein 1, 2, 3 or 4 H-atoms may be replaced by F or Cl, or a single bond,

is -O-, -S-, -NRº- or -N (X-Sp)_n-P

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W is -CH=, -N= or -CO-CH=,

A² is 1,4-phenylene or 2,5-thiophene, wherein in each case one or more H-atoms may be replaced by F or Cl, or denotes a single bond,

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A³ is
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O, \bigcirc N, \bigcirc O or or

wherein one or more H-atoms can be replaced by F or CI,

is -CH=CH-, -CF=CH-, -CH=CF-, -CF=CF- or a single bond

with the proviso that

a) the compounds of formula I contain one, two or more groups $-(X-Sp)_n-P$,

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b) if W denotes -CO-CH=, then denotes

-A1(0)(Q)



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[der Fall "not fused" ist wohl kein luminesz. Farbstoff]
c) if W is -N=, Q is -O-, A² and Z¹ are a single bond, A³ is 1,4phenylene and R² is P-(Sp-X)_n- then R¹ is an achiral group,
[siehe Kim et al., Bull Korean Chem. Soc. 20, 1999, 473]

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d) if W is -N=, Q is -O-, A² and A³ denote 1,4-phenylene and Z¹ is a single bond then A¹ is a single bond.
[siehe WO 00/97104 "Pigment flakes" S. 35]

- 2. Compounds according to claim 1 wherein W denotes -N=.
- 3. Compounds according to claim 1 wherin W denotes -CH= and Q is -O-.
- 5 4. Compounds according to claim 2 selected of the following subformulae

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$$R^1-A^1$$
 O O Z^1 O O A^2 A^2 A^3 A^4 A^4

$$R^{1} \bigcirc N \bigcirc V \bigcirc R^{2}$$

$$R^{1}$$
 O Z^{1} O R^{2}

$$R^{1} \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow R^{2}$$

25 wherein

k1, k2 are independently of each other 0 or 1,

V is -S- or -CH=CH- and

 R^1 , R^2 , Q, Z^1 and A^1 are defined as in claim 1,

with the proviso that if Z^1 denotes a single bond, k1 = 0 and k2 = 1, then A^1 is a single bond.

5. Compounds according to claim 3 of the subformula le

$$R^{1}$$
 Θ O R^{2}

wherein R¹ and R² are defined as in claim 1.

6. Compounds according to claim 1 of the subformula If

wherein R¹ and R² are defined as in claim 1.

7. Compounds according to one of the preceding claims 1 to 6 wherein P is selected from

wherein

30 R³ is H, Cl or alkyl with 1 to 5 C-atoms,

R⁴,R⁴", are independently of each other -Cl, -O-alkyl and/or -O-CO-alkyl with alkyl having 1 to 5 C-atoms and

35 k is 0 or 1.

- 8. Polymerizable mixture comprising at least one compound according to one of the claims 1 to 7.
- 9. Polymerizable mixture according to claim 8 further comprising at least one polymerizable mesogenic compound of formula II

 $P - \left(Sp - X - \right)_{n} MG - R^{21}$

wherein

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P is a polymerizable group,

Sp is a spacer group having 1 to 20 C-atoms,

15 X is a group selected from -O-, -S-, -CO-, -COO-, -OCO-, -O-COO-, -SO₂-O-, -O-SO₂- or a single bond,

n is 0 or 1,

is H or an alkyl radical with up to 25 C atoms which may be unsubstituted, mono- or polysubstituted by halogen or CN, it being also possible for one or more non-adjacent CH₂ groups to be replaced, in each case independently from one another, by -O-, -S-, -NH-, -N(CH₃)-, -CO-, -COO-, -OCO-, -OCO-O-, -S-CO-, -CO-S- or -C≡C- in such a manner that oxygen atoms are not linked directly to one another, or alternatively R²¹ is halogen, cyano or has independently one of the

meanings given for P-(Sp-X)n-,

MG is a mesogenic or mesogenity supporting group.

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 Polymerizable mixture according to claim 9 wherein MG is a mesogenic or mesogenity supporting group of formula III

$$-\left(-A^{31}-Z^{31}\right)_{m}A^{32}-Z^{32}A^{33}$$

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wherein

A³¹, A³², A³³ being independently from one another 1,4-phenylene in which, in addition, one or more CH groups may be replaced by N, 1,4-cyclohexylene in which, in addition, one or two non-adjacent CH₂ groups may be replaced by O and/or S, 1,4-cyclohexenylene or naphthalene-2,6-diyl, it being possible for all these groups to be unsubstituted, mono- or polysubstituted with halogen, cyano or nitro groups or alkyl, alkoxy or alkanoyl groups having 1 to 7 C atoms wherein one or more H atoms

may be substituted by F or Cl,

20 being independently from one another -O-, -CO-, -CO-, -CO-, -SO₂-O-, -O-SO₂-, -CH₂CH₂-, -OCH₂-, -CH₂O-, -CH=CH-, -C \equiv C-, -CH=CH-COO-, -OCO-CH=CH- or a single bond and

m is 0, 1 oder 2.

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- 11. Polymerizable mixture according to claim 8, 9 or 10 further comprising at least one polymerizable and photoorientable compound.
- 30 12. Polymerizable mixture according to claim 11 characterized in that the polymerizable and photoorientable compound is denoted by the formula IV

$$P-(Sp-X)_n-A^{41}-A^{42}-Z^4-A^{43}-A^{44}-R^{41}$$

IV

wherein

P is a polymerizable group,

Sp is a spacer group having 1 to 20 C-atoms,

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X is a group selected from -O-, -S-, -CO-, -COO-, -OCO-, -O-COO-, -SO₂-O-, -O-SO₂- or a single bond,

n is 0 or 1,

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A⁴³, A⁴⁴ are independently of each other 1,4-phenylene, wherein 1, 2, 3 or 4 H-atoms may be replaced by F or Cl,

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may in addition to the above given meaning denote independently of each other a single bond,

 Z^4

is -N=N-, -CH=CH- or $+(O)_{s1}$ $+(CH_2)_{s2}$ O-CO-CH=CH-

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with s1 being 0 or 1 and s2 being 0 to 6,

R⁴¹

is H, halogen, NO₂, CN, SCN, straight chain, branched or cyclic alkyl with 1 to 25 C-atoms wherein one or more CH₂ groups can also be replaced by -O-, -S-, -NR^o-, -CH=CH-, -C≡C- in such a manner that O- and/or S- atoms are not linked directly to one another, and wherein one or more H-atoms can also be replaced by F or Cl, or denotes P-(Sp-X)_n-.

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13. Polymer material obtainable by polymerizing a polymerizable mixture according to one of the claims 8 to 12.

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- 14. Polymer material according to claim 13 obtainable by a process comprising the following steps
 - a) forming a thin layer of the polymerizable material,
 - b) aligning the molecules of the compounds of the mixture in the thin layer into a uniform orientation or a patterned orientation such that in each pattern the orientation is uniform,
 - c) polymerizing said polymerizable material.
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 15. Use of a compound according to one of the claims 1 to 7 or of a polymerizable mixture according to one of the claims 8 to 12 for the manufacture of photoluminescent and/or electroluminescent polymer materials.
 - 16. Use of a polymer material according to claim 13 or 14 as a photoand/or electroluminescent material in a light emitting device, an optical or electrooptical display element.
 - 17. Light emitting device comprising a polymer material according to claim 13 or 14 as a photo- and/or electroluminescent material.
- 18. Optical or electrooptical display element comprising a polymer material according to claim 13 or 14 as a photo- and/or electro-luminescent material.

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